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For: COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR) Confirmation No.: 7885
MULTILAYER STRUCTURE, HALL)
DEVICE, AND HALL DEVICE)
MANUFACTURING METHOD)

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached. Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed. In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of the non-English documents, an English language abstract for each of these documents is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 and returning the form with the next communication from the Office.

Applicants provide herewith Exhibit 1 which contains all of the claims of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/762,327 (Attorney Docket No. 04208.0094-00000), filed February 6, 2001, now U.S. Patent 6,590,389. Applicants submit these claims for the Office's Convenience in evaluating any potential issues regarding statutory or obviousness-type double patenting.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:

- (1) Exhibit 1: Claims of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/762,327;
- (2) IDS Form PTO/SB/08; and
- (3) Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature documents.

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